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In re Application of:

Cristian M. NECULESCU et al.

Application No.: 10/815,791

Filed: April 2, 2004

For: DISPOSABLE FOOD CONTACT COMPATIBLE
MICROWAVABLE CONTAINERS HAVING AT
LEAST ONE MICRONODULAR SURFACE AND
PROCESS FOR THEIR MANUFACTURE

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**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Prior to the substantive examination of the above-referenced application, and in response to the Restriction Requirement dated February 2, 2005, the time for response to which has been extended to April 4, 2005, by the Petition for Extension of Time for One (1) Month filed concurrently herewith and by the operation of 35 U.S.C. § 21(b) (as April 2, 2005, was a Saturday), please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.

Attachments to this paper include **Appendix A**.

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Enclosed: (1) Transmittal Letter, 1 page; (2) Petition for Extension of Time, 1 page; (3) Second Preliminary Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement, 15 pages; (4) Appendix A — Clean Version of Amended Claim 96, 1 page.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a Reply to the Office Action of February 2, 2005. Applicants also enclose a Petition for a One (1) Month Extension of Time to respond to the above Office Action. This Reply, filed on April 4, 2005, is timely filed by operation of 35 U.S.C. § 21(b), as April 2, 2005, was a Saturday. Please charge the fee of \$120.00 to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

The claims are calculated below:

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